

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
FLORENCE DIVISION

Tameska Butler,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	Civil Action No. 4:15-423-BHH
)	
Carolyn W. Colvin, Acting)	<u>ORDER</u>
Commissioner of Social Security,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

This matter is before the Court upon Plaintiff's motion for attorney's fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2412. In her motion, Plaintiff seeks attorney's fees in the amount of \$3,826.45, representing 7.5 attorney hours at the rate of \$185.00; 26.15 paralegal hours at the rate of \$92.50; and \$20.07 in expenses.

On October 28, 2016, Defendant filed a response notifying the Court that she does not oppose Plaintiff's motion. Therefore, after review, it is hereby

ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion (ECF No. 38) is granted, and Plaintiff is awarded a total of \$3,826.45 pursuant to EAJA.¹

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/Bruce Howe Hendricks
United States District Judge

October 31, 2016
Charleston, South Carolina

¹ As the Supreme Court made clear in *Astrue v. Ratliff*, attorney's fees under EAJA are made payable to the prevailing litigant and not to the litigant's attorney. 560 U.S. 586, 598 (2010) (holding that the plain text of EAJA requires that attorney's fees be awarded to the litigant, thus subjecting EAJA fees to an offset of any pre-existing federal debts).